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President Shane Davis, Vice President Vance DeMars and NDA Director Jim Barbee (from left to right) tour 3D Concrete's yard.

3D Concrete visit strengthens the relationship between the state and private businesses

NDA Director meets with owner to discuss the Nevada business atmosphere

Sparks, NV- Jim Barbee, the Director of the Nevada Department of Agriculture (NDA), toured 3D Concrete today for the Governor's Cabinet Business Visit Day.

3D Concrete Vice President Vance DeMars provided Barbee with an overview of the daily operations of his company. During the tour, Barbee and DeMars discussed ways to build the relationship between private businesses and the state government.

"I hope to have an overall interaction with the state and to understand their views on private business," DeMars said.

The visit was part of Governor Brian Sandoval's economic development initiative. The Governor's Cabinet will review all of the suggestions made by small business owners like DeMars during the next cabinet meeting.

To reach his goal of creating 50,000 private sector jobs by the end of the year 2014, Sandoval wants to promote growth of existing Nevada companies. Understanding how to help those businesses is the first step to improving the job market.

Director Barbee also benefited from the 3D Concrete tour and conversation and looks forward to sharing his experience with the cabinet and the NDA.

"This visit provided me with new ideas to help agricultural businesses as a regulatory agency," Barbee said.

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The Nevada Department of Agriculture promotes sustainable agriculture and natural resources, which work to protect food, fiber, human health and safety and environment through effective service, regulatory action and agricultural literacy. The NDA was established in 1915 by Chapter 561 of the Nevada Revised Statutes. It includes the regulatory divisions of Administration, Animal Industry, Measurement Standards, Plant Industry and Resource Protection. For more information about the NDA, visit www.agri.nv.gov.